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PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R.1.121(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants, in fulfillment of and in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.R.F. 121(b)(iii), hereby submit a marked up version of the instant

amendment to the Specification via marked-up replacement paragraphs, this Specification amendment being directed to the paragraph at:

Page 29, line 23.

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C. The Cytoplasmic Domain Coding For The Syndecan-4 Peptide

The third requisite cytoplasmic domain must code for the amino acid residue structure representative of the syndecan-4 core protein. As shown experimentally by the data presented hereinafter, only the syndecan-4 cytoplasmic region and peptide structure allows for functional stimulation of angiogenesis in-situ. For this reason, it is essential and required in each embodiment of the present invention that the third DNA sequence coding for the cytoplasmic domain in the expressed proteoglycan entity in a transfected endothelial cell be representative of and analytically identifiable as the syndecan-4 amino acid residue structure. A representative recitation of the DNA constituting the cytoplasmic domain of the syndecan-4 molecule is presented by Fig. 13 herein.

It will be noted and recognized that very little variability and substitution within the specific DNA base sequencing of the cytoplasmic domain of the syndecan-4 molecule is permitted. While some changes are expected, be they point mutations, block substitutions and the like, the expected or envisioned degree of variability which might be present or permitted for the cytoplasmic domain DNA is believed to be quite limited.

As representative examples: The last four amino acids (EFYA) cannot be changed or modified. Similarly, regarding the Serine residue at position 181: a mutation to an Alanine residue potentiates activation; while a mutation to Glutamate inhibits cell growth in a dominant fashion (dominant-negative mutation). Finally, the LGKKPIYKK sequences [SEQ ID NO:24] probably cannot be altered at all.